

Dear Sirs,

My name is Shawn Gilson. I am a local resident of Hyde and Potomac Airfield. September 11th, 2001 was a tragic day for the country, if not the world as a whole. However, we are now punishing the whole GA organization by not allowing the 3 small airports around Washington DC to allow transient traffic, or pattern work for vetted pilots of those airports. It is almost unbelievable that these airports have survived at all with the ammount of money they have lost. The flight schools need to have students in the pattern. If vetted students can't fly in the pattern, they go to another airport or quit being student pilots. That is what flight schools are about is basically flying in the pattern, and getting students comfortable in the air. The aviation maintenance facilities need planes to be brought in from other airports to sustain business. The president said to beat terrorism, return to our normal lives. Well, by instituting the SFAR 94, the peoples lives who exist at those airports have been set back, or ruined, so explain to me how keeping this rule alive will help keep our skies safe. My father, a long time pilot has used Hyde Field in the past to visit me and Washington DC. Since September 11th, he has been forced to either drive or take commercial flights that take longer, and aren't as convenient. Please reconsider these rules to allow transient traffic back into these 3 airports, and to allow vetted pilots the ability to utilize the pattern to keep there currency, and stay local to the airport.

Kind Regards,

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